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I understand the information on this referral is intended to obtain follow up services, arrange for further evaluation or assessment of my child’s health, growth, development or learning.

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Guidelines for When to Refer in Santa Barbara County

Developmental screening is the administration of a standardized tool aiding in the identification of development/behavioral disorders in children. Screenings are important to:

- Ensure every infant, toddler and preschooler is healthy, ready to learn and grow
- Ensure the early identification of developmental concerns; prevent delays in the provision of services and support for young children

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends developmental screening at 9, 18, and 24 or 30 months or whenever a parent or provider concern is expressed.

The Developmental and Behavioral Referral Form, was developed to assist Primary Care Providers and/or Community Based Organization in referring children identified with developmental and/or behavioral concerns to the agencies listed below using the following guidelines.

### When to Screen for Developmental Concerns

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<th>Any Well Child Visit birth to 8 Years</th>
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<td>- Developmental surveillance by provider</td>
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<td>- Administer screening tool per AAP recommendations (PEDS, ASQ3 or other tool recommended by AAP)</td>
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#### Complete Screening Tool with Parent Input

- Parents/primary caregiver/ may complete tool
- Medical assistants and/or other trained health professional may facilitate completion and score for providers
- Trained staff in community based organizations should screen and share results with primary care provider (see referral form and template letter)

### Documented Concern (Follow up needed)

- Child scores below cutoff in 2 or more domains or significantly below in 1 or more domains (ASQ3)
- Two or more predictive concerns (PEDS)

### Borderline (Monitoring may be indicated)

- Parent or provider has concern but scores are fine (ASQ 3)
- Scores in the monitoring zone (ASQ3)
- Non-predictive concern (PEDS)
- One predictive concern (PEDS)

### No Concern (May include health concern only or screening difficult to interpret)

- Scores are well above cutoff
- Scores/concerns don’t match provider observations or expectations
- Send screening results primary care provider

#### REFER:

**Developmental Concern children birth to 3**
- Tri Counties Regional Center: Santa Maria: 922-4640 or 1-800-266-9071
- Santa Barbara: 962-7881 or 1-800-322-6994
- Send copy of the Developmental & Behavioral Referral Form with parent signature to both Tri Counties and the primary care provider

**Developmental Concern children 3-5**
- Santa Barbara County Office of Education (SBCEO)
  - Santa Maria: 922-0334 ext. 2319
  - Goleta: 681-1200, or 685-0574
  - Santa Barbara: 964-4711 ext. 5317
- Send copy of the Developmental & Behavioral Referral Form with parent signature to both SBCEO and the primary care provider

**Behavioral Concern birth to 18**
- Alcohol, Drug Mental Health Services (ADMHS) Call the access line: 1-888-868-1649
- Send copy of the Developmental & Behavioral Referral Form with parent signature to both ADMHS and the primary the care provider

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For more information on screening go to American Academy of Pediatrics [http://www2.aap.org/sections/dbpeds/screening.asp](http://www2.aap.org/sections/dbpeds/screening.asp)

Center for Disease Control [http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/childdevelopment/screening.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/childdevelopment/screening.htm)

First 5 Santa Barbara County [www.First5SantaBarbaraCounty.org](http://www.First5SantaBarbaraCounty.org)